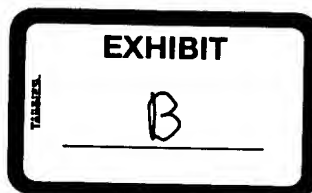


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As part of the reorganizational efforts of Harnischfeger Industries and its subsidiaries, a decision has been made to close the Beloit Patent Dept., and handle all matters through Jim Lowe at Harnischfeger Industries.

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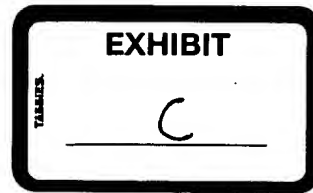
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Xuekui, this disclosure was filed as a PCT application (PCT/US97/17417) on September 26, 1997, based on Provisional Patent Application Serial Number 60/051,474.

Accordingly, it will go through the usual 30 month procedure of being serched for novelty, receiving a Written Opinion from the Examiner and given a Preliminary Examination Report from which we can decide whether or not to file corresponding national patent applications. Therefore, there probably will be a corresponding U. S. patent application filed, but the PCT procedures do not allow this to be done at this time.

To summarize, everthing that can be done at this time regarding the patenting of this invention has been done. It's status is that it's a patent application pending in the U. S. Receiving Office of the International Preliminary Examinary Authority which, in this case, is the U. S. Patent Office.

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